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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.84 and in connection with the above-indicated matter, the

Applicant hereby submits 10 sheets of substitute formal drawings.

Respectfully submitted,

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- Certified copy of six Japanese applications, Serial No. 2000-067824, filed 10 March 2000; Serial No. 2000-067825, filed 10 March 2000; Serial No. 2000-067828, filed 10 March 2000; Serial No. 2000-077657, filed 21 March 2000; Serial No. 2000-077658, filed 21 March 2000; and Serial No. 2000-117377, filed 19 April 2000, the right of priority of which is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119
- Small entity status has been previously established; verified statement enclosed
- Signed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney
- Information Disclosure Statement, Form 1449, 5 Reference(s), copy of specification, claims and drawings of copending matter, U.S. Patent application no. 09/803408, filed 9 March 2001
- Submission of Substitute Formal Drawings, 10 Formal Drawings
- Check(s) in the amount of \$435.00, \$130.00 and \$65.00 for filing fee, foreign language application fee and missing parts fee, respectively
- Other: Submission of Missing Parts, Submission of Priority Documents
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Please consider this a PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME for a sufficient number of months to enter these papers, if appropriate. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to be posit Account No. 13-2725. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

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Dear Sir:

In connection with the above-identified application, enclosed please find the originally signed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney and Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status. Also enclosed is our check in the amount of \$130.00 to cover the fee for submission of a foreign language application, \$65.00 to cover the Missing Parts completion fee, as well as \$435.00 for the filing fee that was deferred at filing.

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FORMALITIES LETTER

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July 17, 2001 W NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing. Applicant must submit \$ 355 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
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- The balance due by applicant is \$ 550.
- Because your specification was filed in a language other than English, the Office was unable to determine the number of claims submitted. Additional claim fees may be due once the number of claims can be determined.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
 - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a

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REQUEST FOR CORRECTED FILING RECEIPT

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Dear Sir:

Enclosed is a photocopy of the filing receipt from the United States Patent and Trademark Office in the above-identified application showing requested corrections.

The Filing Date is incorrect.

Please replace "07/09/2001" with --03/09/2001--.

Correction of the records of the United States Patent and Trademark Office and issuance of a corrected filing receipt are respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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Foreign Applications

JAPAN 2000-067824 03/10/2000 JAPAN 2000-067825 03/10/2000 JAPAN 2000-067828 03/10/2000 JAPAN 2000-077657 03/21/2000 JAPAN 2000-077658 03/21/2000 JAPAN 2000-117377 04/19/2000

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Title

Method of giving gifts via online network

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Utility Patent Application in Japanese: Spec. 22 pgs; 20 claims; Abstract 1 pgs.:

Ten sheets of formal drawings

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